

House Resolution No. 2101

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri residents as the Honorable Edith Messina at momentous times in their lives and careers; and

Whereas, Edith Messina will receive a Dean of the Trial Bar Award from the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association at that organization's 35th Annual Bench-Bar & Boardroom Conference, which will be held from May 1 to May 3, 2008, at centrally located Tan-Tar-A Resort at Lake of the Ozarks; and

Whereas, Edith Messina was selected for a Dean of the Trial Bar Award in light of her superb litigation skills, exemplary professional demeanor, and thirty or more years in practice; and

Whereas, Edith Messina earned Bachelor's and Master of Science degrees from Avila University and a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City; and

Whereas, originally in the private practice of law and in the Public Defender's Office as an assistant public defender, Edith Messina was appointed to the bench in 1984, since which time she has been elected by her peers to the position of Presiding Judge and has handled almost every possible variety of family, criminal, and civil docket:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Edith Messina for a Dean of the Trial Bar Award from the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to the Honorable Edith Messina.

Offered by _____
Representative Bryan Pratt, District No. 55

Representative John Burnett, District No. 40

Representative Brian Yates, District No. 56

Representative Tim Flook, District No. 34

Representative Jason Grill, District No. 32

Representative Mike Talboy, District No. 37

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2101, adopted April 22, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker